

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE****RS23860**

Currently, Idaho has numerous forms of gaming including the Idaho Lottery, pari-mutuel wagering (which includes betting on both live and historical horse races), simulcast dog races, and Indian Casinos. The current oversight regarding all gaming/gambling in Idaho is fragmented. This has left questions as to the validity of games, machines, and gambling in general. The purpose of this legislation is to place the expertise regarding gaming/gambling in Idaho under one roof by creating a "Gaming Commission," with oversight of all forms of gambling in Idaho.

**FISCAL NOTE**

There is no anticipated increase to the General Fund. Currently, both the Idaho lottery and all forms of racing are funded by players with monies paid into their current respective fund accounts for oversight purposes. The Indian Casinos do not pay into an oversight mechanism and this is not expected to change. Both the lottery and racing funding streams will need to cover oversight of the Indian Casinos.

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